

PATENT APPLICATION

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Examiner: Blackwell-Rudasil, G.

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For: TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE COVERS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicant's representatives would like to thank Examiner Blackwell-Rudasil for extending them the courtesy of a personal interview on May 18, 2004 to discuss this case. The following recordation of the substance of the interview is believed to be complete and proper, in accordance with MPEP 713.04. It is requested that the Examiner notify the undersigned if the Examiner believes this Statement contains any inaccuracies or if the Examiner believes this Statement is otherwise not complete and proper.

Interview participants: (1) Examiner Gwendolyn A. Blackwell-Rudasil; (2) Applicant's attorney, John Dolan; and (3) Applicant's attorney, Eric Snustad.

No exhibit or demonstration was shown during the interview.

Claims 71, 72, and 82-101 were discussed during the interview.

The following references were discussed: (1) United States Patent No. 5,302,449 (Eby et al.); and United States Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0176988 (Medwick et al.).

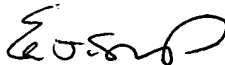
No Amendments were discussed during the interview.

The general thrust of the arguments made during the interview was that Eby et al. teach a very thin protective inorganic film for use as the outermost layer of a low-emissivity film stack, and that it would not be obvious to take this outermost layer of the Eby low-emissivity film stack and use it to replace the removable organic covering that Medwick teaches using over an exterior surface. Arguments were also made, relative to the pending claims with thickness limitations, that the optimal coating should be thick enough to protect the underlying surface after tempering but not too thick that it would not be easily removed.

No other pertinent matters were discussed during the interview.

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